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DCI notebook from SSCI briefing of 18 Aug 78

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1. (U) Action requested: None, for your information.

2. (S) Background: As you are aware, you are scheduled to brief the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence on the Kampiles matter at 0900 hours on Friday, 15 September 1978 at 0900 hours in H 405, The Capitol.

It is expected that a majority of the Committee will be present for the briefing. Only senior staff (Thomas K. Latimer, Patrick G. Long and Michael J. O'Neil) will be present and no transcript will be taken.

We have been told that the principal Committee interests, in addition to learning precisely what happened, will be:

-- Whether Agency physical security practices are as good as they might be and some explanation of why such sensitive documents were as available as they seemed to have been.

-- Whether Agency personnel policies might need re-examination. Should an employee who has been poorly rated be allowed to remain working in highly sensitive areas?

-- An assessment of the damage to U.S. intelligence gathering capabilities.

-- What can be done to deal with the damage caused?